

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: [Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators \(47-2073\)](#)

Associated Occupation: [Explosives Workers, Ordnance Handling Experts, and Blasters \(47-5031\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 56

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Public Safety and Security	6.9	15.7	10.5	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Law and Government	5.9	13.5	4.8	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Mathematics	9.2	12.7	8.5	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Engineering and Technology	5.7	11.1	9.0	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Production and Processing	6.0	9.6	7.7	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Transportation	4.6	9.6	5.8	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 68

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Monitoring	9.9	11.9	8.5	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Operation Monitoring	6.6	10.3	10.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Operation and Control	5.4	10.0	13.4	>>	Skill level is likely more than sufficient

Troubleshooting	4.5	7.5	6.6	<	A higher skill level may be required
Equipment Selection	3.3	6.1	4.9	<	A higher skill level may be required

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 78			
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Manual Dexterity	6.5	13.9	9.0	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Near Vision	11.1	13.9	11.8	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Information Ordering	9.9	13.2	7.5	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Reaction Time	4.8	12.3	9.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Finger Dexterity	7.6	11.6	7.9	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Visual Color Discrimination	6.4	11.4	6.4	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Depth Perception	5.3	9.7	12.2	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Glare Sensitivity	2.6	5.8	5.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 59
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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Operate hoist, winch, or hydraulic boom	34	
Signal directions or warnings to coworkers	42	
Use hand or power tools	2	
Use measuring devices in construction or extraction work	41	

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus
Occupation to Associated
Occupation: n/a

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Tools and Technologies

Exclusivity

Tools and technology data is unavailable for one or both occupations.

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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